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WHEN THE GI COMES BACK

Radar To Serve Civilians In Peacetime

(This is the second of a series of three articles on the nature, war uses and future applications of radar.)

Radar's introduction to the major events of this war—still little known to the world it helped save—was in the Battle of Britain in 1940. The Luftwaffe was accustomed to coming over England and reaching London before the alarms of the spotters on the Coast could alert the RAF fighters. Radar, reaching out to detect the Nazi bombers long before they reached the Channel, gave ample time for the Spitfires to be up and waiting between the Channel and London.

The result was the breaking of the German bombing power and the salvation of Britain—and probably of all Europe.

Since then, the accomplishments of this unheralded and unseen soldier have been global and phenomenal.

In the battle for Guadalcanal, American naval units used radar in the blackness of night to locate a Japanese battleship eight miles away so accurately that with just two salvos it was sunk, though no American had ever seen it.

Though fog binds the Aleutians, almost all the time, our garrison there has been able to secure itself there and fight off threats of the enemy through radar units that warn instantly of approaching danger.

Over the unmarked vastness of the

Commander William F. Arnold



Commander Arnold, USNR, recently returned from Pearl Harbor, is now stationed in Washington. His unexpected visit to the plant recently was a pleasure, and his many friends were more than pleased to see him. Commander Arnold was employed as a Sales Engineer at the Company.

Pacific, American patrol planes can constantly know their exact location in relation to friendly and enemy points; and then pick out their target under any conditions of restricted visibility and bomb it with great accuracy.

The noted "Mickey" that enabled Pathfinder planes over Europe to pick out obscured targets and light the way for bombers is an application of radar. It sends out its beam and records on a screen the reflected outline of the terrain below—so clearly that specific

buildings, streets, objects can be identified and bombed. Then, when the bombs strike, the spot they hit is known immediately, instead of requiring later reconnaissance photography.

The Japs, too, have learned to respect "Mickey." On the night of August 23, 1943, while supposedly safe under cover of darkness, two Nip destroyers were moving in to help evacuate troops from Vella Lavella.

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Rotary Club President

At the weekly meeting of the Williamstown Rotary Club, Friday, July 13th, Alton Perry was installed as the new president.

Alton is employed in the Purchasing department and his many friends here at Sprague Electric extend congratulations and the best of luck during his tenure of office.

Citizens

Congratulations to Margaret and Henry Anderson on the receiving of their final citizenship papers. Real old Spragueites, they have been with the company many years. Margaret 13 years and Henry 17. They are the parents of a son, Pehr Henry, Chief Petty Officer, U.S.N., now stationed at Holy Cross College at Worcester, Mass.

Infra-Red Aids in Rust Rout

Aircraft machinery, packed for overseas shipment, is given infra-red heat treatment on conveyor lines before being submerged in grease. The infra-red removes all moisture and the grease protects the metal against exposure which would cause rust en route.

*Common Sense Needed More Than Amateur Psychiatry to Aid In Rehabilitation

Civilians Find Readjustment More Difficult Than Veterans

The number of Armed Forces personnel being discharged from the Services is increasing daily. To date, their numbers aren't many, but it is expected that by Fall the program will be in full swing.

With all that has been published on how to greet the returning veteran, it doesn't seem as though there would be anything left to say on the subject. Yet there is something most important to say. And that is that too much has been written by amateur psychiatrists who have made the proverbial mountain out of a molehill.

STEP TO CIVILIAN LIFE QUITE EASY

If people would only realize that the hardest adjustment a man ever had to make was from a civilian suit to khaki,—and from khaki to the rapid, intense, uncertain conditions of battle,—then they would also realize that the return to a civilian suit is the easiest and simplest process through which a veteran has to go.

Apparently the civilian finds it harder to readjust to the veteran than the veteran to the civilian. Just who needs the psychiatrist?

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Walter O'Dell Buys Number One Membership

At the Athletic Association dance on June 21, just before he left for service in the Army, Walt O'Dell, of Ovens Department, laid his dollar on the line and received a guarantee that he would get the No. 1 membership card in the Sprague Electric Athletic Association. So here we show the picture of the actual No. 1 card that

has been mailed to Walt who is now with the Quartermaster Corps at Camp Lee, Virginia. We all remember Walt as a leader and outstanding player in baseball, football and bowling. Good luck, Walt, and we are sure that there will be 400 or 500 members in the Sprague Electric Athletic Association when you get back and the war is over.

SPRAGUE ELECTRIC ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

1945

MEMBERSHIP TICKET

\$1.00

This Certifies that

Walter O'Dell

is a member of the Sprague Electric Athletic Association and is entitled to full privileges of membership for the year 1945 and agrees to a full and absolute release of the Sprague Electric Athletic Association and all its members from any and all claims of every kind and character whatsoever for injuries which he (or she) might receive while enjoying the privileges of the Association.

Ticket No 1

Sprague On Parade Interviews Sgt. Williams

Director Larry Madison did a magnificent job on the July 18th broadcast. His solo, "Play Fiddle Play," and his duet with the charming Mrs. Charlotte Lasher, "Someday I'll Find You" were both most pleasing.

The chorus did exceptionally well in their selections, "Semper Paratus" and "Dream of Summer" as did the vivacious Miss Christine Cardillo who sang out with her superb soprano voice in the famous "Si, Mi Chiamano, Mimi" from the opera La Boheme.

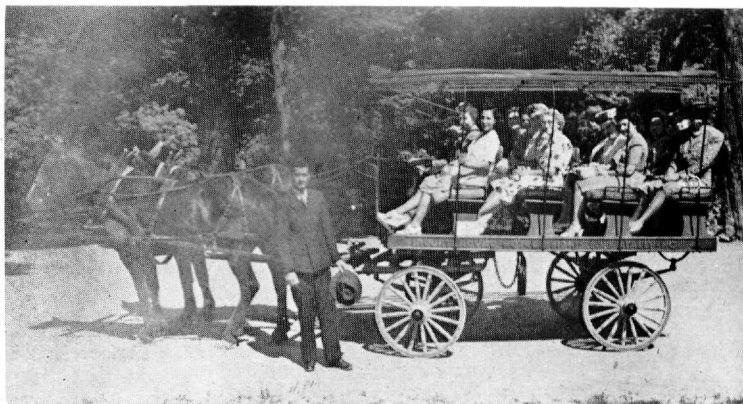
Master of ceremonies, Kit Carson, interviewed Sgt. Robert Williams who

has been overseas forty-two months and in the service for the past twelve years. Sgt. Williams was formerly from Georgia. About two years ago he received cigarettes with the compliments of the Sprague employees and recently paid a visit to the Beaver Plant to express his thanks personally.

The dedication of the Sprague war work was given in the memory of Arthur J. Dippold, a former employee who gave his life for his country.

Everyone is welcome to attend the broadcasts. You will find watching these fine artists is as much of a treat as hearing them.

Tally-Ho



Alma Beaupre and Anne Farnum of the Selkar Department seated in the second row front, enjoy a sight seeing trip up Mt. Royal Mountain, in Montreal, Canada.

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"Every Sprague Worker an Assistant Reporter."

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THE POST-WAR JOB

Where do we fit in with the post-war job? It would take an oracle to answer that question,— but some important statistics have come out in official bulletins.

For one thing, many people labor under the impression that most veterans will not want to return to their former jobs. Surveys show numbers almost as high as 50% that will not want to go back. Yet actually a very low percentage of Service personnel had full-time, steady employment. If one considers the age level in the Armed Forces, it is shown that most of the men were either directly out of school or had not been working long enough to be considered as men with "steady" employment. Thus it all boils down to far less than 50% as is generally considered, for among those who had permanent jobs, roughly 10% will not want to return.

Considering then the many civilian needs in post-war years,— the new employees in industry who will want to return to school or the home,— the new employees of tomorrow plus those returning to their old jobs,— it is very likely that the need for manpower will rank as a priority for many years yet.

LOG STARTS 8TH YEAR

With this issue the LOG completes its 7th year of service to all Sprague employees. We hope that you will help the LOG continue serving you through the years to come by sending us your suggestions on what you would like to have printed. It's your paper,— so tell us what you want in it.

SPRAGUE PRODUCTION DEDICATED TO GOLD STAR HEROES

During the past 16 weeks, including the week of July 30, the entire work of the plant has been dedicated to the Sprague men who have given their lives for their country. Framed signs have been located throughout to bring the attention of all employees to this production dedication program. The week of Aug. 6 will bring this program to completion. In the forthcoming issue of August 11 we shall celebrate the 8th Anniversary of the LOG with a Memorial Page in honor of these men.

WEEK OF JULY 16TH

Sgt. James A. Dippold—Died March 10, '45

WEEK OF JULY 23RD

Cpl. Eugene Miliszewski—Died April 17, '45

WEEK OF JULY 30TH

Lt. Aloysius G. Arbanek—Died May 25, '45

WEEK OF AUGUST 6TH

Lt. Herbert A. Field—Died July 3, '45

From Engineering Lab

From Block Test

From Boxing

From Mica



Disabled enemy landing craft is boarded by Marines with trigger-finger ready.

The Y.M.C.A.'s Part in the War

The Y.M.C.A. holds a high place among our servicemen. With 101 years of experience behind it, the "Y" was ready at the start of World War II, to serve the youth of the nation in war as well as it had in peace. Expanding their facilities and personnel, by the end of the first year the "Y" was functioning smoothly as a member of the U.S.O., also giving service to thousands in its many buildings throughout the world, as well as conducting world-wide work with Prisoners of War.

Traffic Club Holds Golf Outing and Dinner

James Knox, President, Presides

Wednesday, July 11, the Berkshire County Traffic Club was host to several Traffic clubs from Massachusetts and Eastern New York State.

The meeting was preceded by a golf tournament at Taconic Country Club, and followed by dinner at the Williams Inn.

Our own James Knox, head of the Shipping Department, and President of the Berkshire County Traffic Club, presided at the dinner, which was attended by sixty members and invited guests. Among the guests present were Lt. Bush, of the Army Engineers Depot at Marshall street and Ed Whitten, editor of the Log.

Golf prizes galore were awarded. President Jimmy Knox, who received one of the prizes, claims that it was not in the bag.

Radar For Civilians In Peacetime

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Suddenly both were struck squarely and sunk by bombs dropped from planes they could not see. Since then the enemy has learned that darkness affords no protection.

Radar now is so perfect that operators of units in the Pacific can follow air battles on the screen almost as well as if they were viewing motion pictures. The cathode ray tube that is the heart of television casts the image on a screen.

One of the latest refinements of this new fighter is an anti-aircraft range computer that automatically determines the proper range even when there is no operator at the controls. Also, a new radar-operated searchlight now is automatically synchronized with the direction-finding equipment.

Another is an altimeter that records the actual distance to the earth or water, permitting dive bombers and strafers to come in very low for attacks even in darkness and fog.

Though its contributions have already been great, radar is still being developed so rapidly that much equipment reaches obsolescence in six months. The radio industry's engineers are packing decades of advancement into months, to help speed final victory.

(The final article of this series will outline some of the postwar applications of radar.)

TANKS—YANKS



Sure, it's the same guy!

BY BEING ALWAYS CAREFUL TO DO THINGS RIGHT, HE PREVENTS BOTH ACCIDENTS AND WASTE.

Athletic Association Reports

The food sale sponsored by the S.E.A.A. was another financial success. Credit for this is due to the untiring efforts of the council members and officers of the association.

It was proposed by the various council members to list each person donating food or money for the sale in this issue of the Log. To conserve space we are listing departments only.

Department	Location
Selkar	Marshall Street
Resistors	Brown Street
Oil Rolling	Brown Street
Machine Shop	Beaver Street
Paper Rolling	Beaver Street
Check Inspection	Beaver Street
Block Test	Beaver Street
Sample	Beaver Street
Production Control	Beaver Street
Bathub Assembly	Beaver Street
Sec. Test and Impregnating	Beaver Street
Dry Test and Finishing	Beaver Street
Boxing and Assembly	Beaver Street
Sample	Brown Street
Factory Engineering	Beaver Street

Thanks For Donations

To all the people in the various departments listed above, thanks a million for all donations. Congratulations to all council members and officers on the swell job you performed.

The last issue stated that the S.E.A.A. would hold a dance July 13th, but unfortunately the local bands contacted could not appear on that date. Plans are now complete for a dance to be held on Friday, July 27, at the State Armory. Harry Noring and his band beating out the downbeat.

Arrangements have also been made to hold a clam bake Sunday, August 26, and tickets will be put on sale the first week in August.

Yours in Sports,
Walter Carpenter

Evelyn Fairchild Writes

Dear Friends:

I wanted to wait until we had done one of our first tours before writing, since the plane trip down was quite uneventful.

Mexico City is like any other big metropolis. It has many large, broad avenues, many modern buildings, and much, much traffic. Its yellow street cars are just like those in New York City. The house fronts are directly on the street, with beautiful wrought iron grill gates and frames protecting the windows. The gates open onto charming patios, within the walls, where flowers of all descriptions are blooming.

It was not until we got into the country, did I realize the native charm and loveliness of this different and fascinating country. We left in automobiles for a 200 mile trip to Morelia on Friday noon. If you can take the Mohawk Trail at the summit, and multiply it on all sides by a much vaster outlook, you will have some idea of the territory surrounding Mexico City. Much of the foothills seemed like home, wooded with oak and fir. Then there are vistas of grazing land reaching for miles and miles with scarcely a tree in sight. Other strips are cultivated with corn as the main product.

We went through a market at Taluco, with everything for sale: pottery, dress goods, lace, strung meat, hand embroidered blouses, and sheep heads with the fur on and the eyes staring. There were mothers sitting on the sidewalks and doorsteps nursing their young children or following you around begging for centavos. There was scarcely room to walk.

Then on to Morelia where the oldest university in the Americas is situated. There, peaceful and quiet, like a gem in the sunshine is the cathedral hovering above the town; like all churches do in Mexico. It was simply delightful.

Regards to all,
Evelyn Fairchild

★ ★ Letters and News from the Armed Forces ★ ★

Anthony Woloski



Pvt. Anthony Woloski, formerly of the Maintenance at Brown Street, who is now Somewhere in China.

LOG Improves

Greetings:

Just a few lines to say hello. I have not written sooner as my outfit has been moved to new locations again. Since I wrote last I have received two Logs and enjoyed them very much. The paper seems to improve more each issue. I want to thank the editor for printing my letter.

The company which I am attached to has been ordered to train Chinese soldiers. It will be quite a job but I am sure that we can do it.

The weather here at present is swell just like a summer back in the U.S.A.

I hope this letter finds everyone in the best of health. Tell my friends to write.

Reggie Rowett

Ensign Leo Hartley



Ensign Leo Hartley is stationed at Pensacola, Fla. He is the brother of Anna Desnoyers of Block Test.

Near Milan

Saluzzo, Italy
June 25, 1945

Dear Friends:

Received your package and want to thank you for remembering me. I also receive my copy of the Log constantly and read it from cover to cover. It is a darn good paper and the publishing staff deserve a lot of credit.

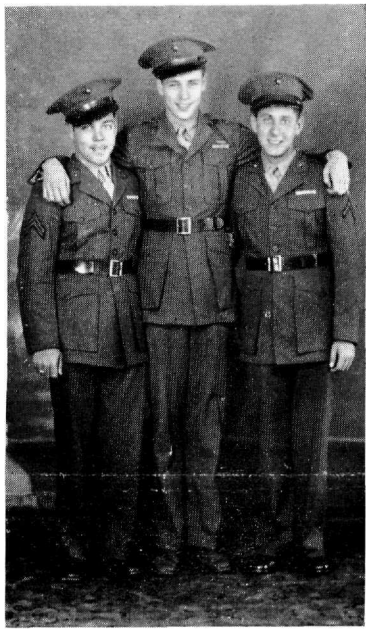
I am near Milan sweating out going home and rejoining Sprague. We just got our ration of American beer, which helps make our stay here more endurable. Frank Sinatra is in Milan today to entertain and I intend to drive in and see just how good he is.

I am in the 34th "Red Bull" Division and the 168th "Rainbow Regiment." A fine outfit and I've been with it since Anzio.

Thanks again for the package.

Yours truly,
Pfc. Edw. O'Neil

Buddies



All three were members of the 3rd Marine Division. Left to right they are, Cpl. Gerald Robidioux, Pfc. John Rice and Pfc. John Lamoureux.

Rice and Lamoureux were in the 21st regiment and saw action at Guadalcanal and Bougainville; Pvt. Rice was also at Tarawa and New Georgia and has an honorable discharge. Pvt. Lamoureux is stationed at Hingham, Mass. Cpl. Robidioux was in the battle of Tarawa and at American Samoa, he is now stationed at Newport, R. I.

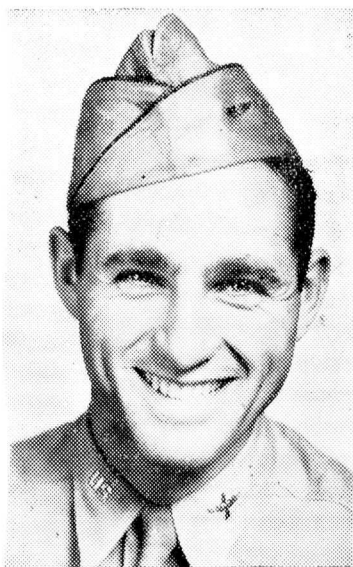
The picture above was taken when the three boys who were home on leave met for the first time in three years. Pvt. Rice is the son of Dorothy of Wire Coating.

Coffee Hour On Peleliu



Pictured on extreme right is Ronald T. Burnett, CM2-c, formerly of the Maintenance Department, brother of Jessica Pike of the Resistor Department

DIES OF INJURIES



Lieut. Herbert A. Field

Injuries From Motor Vehicle Accident Fatal

Second Lieut. Herbert A. Field, fighter pilot, died of injuries received in a motor accident, July 3rd, in Germany.

Lieut. Field entered the service in December, 1942 and was called for pre-flight training in March, 1943. After training at various fields as a combat pilot, he received his silver wings and commission in June, 1944. After further training as a fighter pilot, he was sent to England, arriving there last April. He had recently been engaged in intelligence work in Germany.

Lieut. Field was born in Williams-town and attended the schools there, graduating from Williams High in 1939. He was at one time employed at the Curtiss Wright plant in Buffalo, N. Y., after taking a course in aviation mechanics, at Aero. I. T. I., Glendale, Cal. Previous to his enlistment he was employed in the Mica department.

Surviving him are his wife, parents and two brothers. To them the employees and management of the Sprague Electric Company extends sincerest sympathy.

Blitz Course

Fort Oglethorpe, Ga.
Sprague Electric Co.
North Adams, Mass.

I want to thank you for the check which I received. I also have been receiving the Log. Next to letters from home I look forward to this. I really enjoy reading it, in fact I read it through and through, now I'm in the Service. It takes me back to Sprague's and Wire Coating. I often wonder if I'll know the place when I get back.

I like the army more than I thought I would. Basic Training was really work but it was a lot of fun, also. I'll never forget our first drill. The Sgt. about faced us and quite a few orders at one time and I almost got thrown out of formation, such as it was. I never laughed so much in all my life.

I am almost through with my medical school training. They call it a Blitz course and they were not kidding. I could write pages and pages of the fun we girls have here, besides study and details, but I have shoes to shine, which is a must in the army. All of us here are very happy and I for one am sorry I wasn't one of the first women to join the army.

I best close now as it is getting late, and I have taken up too much of your time as it is. Thank you again.

Yours truly,
Stacia Jonowski

Act Like Rats

According to a news release from a destroyer in the Pacific area, Arthur J. Racette, Jr., Seaman, a veteran of Pacific campaigns from Tarawa to Okinawa aboard a destroyer, said that "whenever you get them cornered they act like rats and become frantic." "I don't believe they are afraid to fight, but either they go crazy or just don't give a hoot when things get hot." Seaman Racette entered the service in May 1943 and has also been in action in the Marianas and Philippines. He is a former employee of the Mica department.

Joseph F. Gentile



Joseph F. Gentile, who has recently completed boot training at Sampson, N. Y., the son of Gertrude of Tubular Assembly. An employee of the Company in 1943.

Liberated

Pvt. Robert R. Crowe, who was liberated from a German prison camp, May 8, has arrived at his home to spend a 68 day furlough. Pvt. Crowe entered service in May, 1944 and was sent to France in November of the same year. In January of this year he was reported missing and in March was reported a POW. Pvt. Crowe formerly worked in the Check Inspection department.

Silver Star

For gallantry in action in Germany on March 26th, 1945, Tech. Sgt. Stanley L. Sanecki has been awarded the Silver Star. Sgt. Sanecki entered service with Company K, 104th Infantry, January 16, 1941, going over seas last fall. He was employed in the Paper Rolling department before entering the service.

Little Things Count

Somewhere in the Pacific

Dear Miss Owen:

I am ashamed to say I didn't send you my change of address sooner, but when I noticed I had not received a Log in three months I decided to get on the ball.

The Log helps to bring back the memories that I am always groping for. It brings me back in the stock-room with Al Guisti sweating over an undated requisition, Sam Solomon wondering where his next million is coming from and Deeb Solomon dreaming that he is "National Velvet." It is surprising to me that the little things such as I just described can bring a smile to my face and let a little joy into my heart. When I was back in North Adams working in the Brown Street plant I never thought that way nor appreciated all that God gave me.

Thanks to you and the other members of the Log I still have a chance to retrieve memories of the good old days.

Sincerely,
Richard Durkee

Joseph Suprenant



Pfc. Joseph Suprenant, husband of Bernie of the Western Electric department. Pvt. Suprenant is stationed on Luzon.

Tough Fight Ahead

June 26, 1945

Dear Miss Owen:

A few lines to say I received the package from the Sprague employees and appreciate their kindness very much. You see out here such things as the package contained are rather scarce.

I have been receiving the Log regularly and I see the people at the plant are still in there pitching. Now that the war in Europe is over I hope they won't feel that there isn't any need to keep producing. There is still a tough fight ahead of us and we need their help.

Sincerely,
Bud Kleiner

Leitch and Dziok



Lt. Robert Leitch and Cpl. Joseph Dziok, nephew and brother of "Ted" Dziok of the Can Shop.



Bathtub Assembly

By Ruth Haskins

The vacationers: Elizabeth Powell spent her vacation in New York City. She especially enjoyed the boat ride from Albany... "Art" Taylor enjoyed a week of fishing at Lake Champlain... Constance O'Dell visited Saratoga, N. Y.... Anna McKay enjoyed a trip to Canada and Niagara Falls... Ethel Fossor went to Boston and took in the horse races at Suffolk Downs... Laura Crews visited her sister in Medford and surrounding beaches... Evangeline Dupuis enjoyed fishing at Lake Champlain and then visited Port Henry, N. Y.... Eleanor Durocher traveled to Norwich, Conn. and New London Beach... Steak and pork chops are available at Atlantic City. Laura Cross tells us she had plenty when she was there... A restful week was spent by Ann Armstrong, who informs us she neither cooked nor washed dishes all the time she was home... Lena Valenti's vacation was spent taking care of her husband, who was ill.

Mary Unis has been especially happy lately for her husband, Jim, is home on furlough.

Block Annex

By Alice and Doris

Esther Driswel has been especially happy lately for her husband, Jim, is home on furlough. Enjoy yourself, Es.

Evelyn Bissaillon has learned to row a boat with the assistance of a very good teacher. How about that, Ev?

Many gifts were received by Sophie Embry at a surprise birthday party given at her home. A belated happy birthday Sophie from the gang.

A belated happy birthday from the gang to Jessie Kopala and Florence Moreau.

It seems as though Jimmy Dean has a certain charm about him that women like. The fellows are very curious Jim, let them in on it.

A quick recovery to Beatrice Lauson and Mildred O'Grady who were operated upon recently.

Frances Morse shouldn't have kept her Southern wonder man all to herself. Did you have fun, Fran.

Harry Embry is substituting for Alphonse La Fontaine who is away with Co. K on maneuvers. You're doing a fine job Harry, keep up the good work.

Welcome to our department Harold Brown. Hope you like it here.

We're beginning to think that desk is a figment of Charles Desrosier's imagination.

A farewell party was given for Harry Carpenter, husband of Alice, July 17th. We hear Alice looked mighty nice. Best of luck, Harry.

Margaret Viall's husband, Corporal Edward Viall, is home on leave. Have a good time, Margaret.

Machine Shop

By John Walsh and C. Remillard

VACATIONERS: Schuyler Dean enjoyed his vacation at Hartford, Conn., and from all reports had a wonderful time... Bertrand Peters was on a fishing trip at Lake St. Catherine, and also found time to make improvements at his home... Herbert Surr spent his two weeks at the Adirondacks fishing and resting. Herb was accompanied by his wife and son, Tom, who is on a 30-day furlough before going to the Pacific... Harry Trombley was in Boston when the two Boston teams played their benefit contest for the Bond Sale... William Schink went to Lake Bomoseen in Vermont.

Tubular Assembly

By Gert Gentile

VACATIONERS: Alma Kent, with husband, Leslie, and daughter spent their week's vacation at Nantasket Beach... Grace McConnell went to Lake George... Edna Lavariere and Stephanie Szurek visited Enfield, Conn.... Florence Morin and Maud Waska both vacationed in Pennsylvania... Phyllis Brooks spent the week end in Orange, Mass.... Beatrice Gibeau traveled to Boston.

Congratulations to Mrs. Leonard Bedard, who gave birth to a baby girl, July 16. Mrs. Bedard was the former Eileen O'Brien.

Plating

By Lucille Little

VACATIONERS: Howie Isherwood had a good time with his out-board motor at Richmond Pond where he spent his vacation... Grace Alcom-bright was patriotic and spent hers at home. Did you find wallpapering a very tough job, Grace?... Jim Dolan got plenty of rest and also a lot of weeds out of his victory garden... Ben Martin had a pleasant vacation entertaining his visitor from Canada... Art Roy had a nice rest at home. Did you enjoy sleeping mornings, Art?... Fred Rarick and Ness Roberts are spending their vacation at a camp in Framingham, Mass. with the State Guard. (Some vacation).

We would like to remind Nick Sanzi that we're still waiting for the Spaghetti he promised us long ago. The Department, as a whole, would like to thank Joe Zgrzebnik for his willingness to share his possessions for the past two years.

It was great seeing Joe Rosi, U.S.N., who visited our department and also the Etching Department where he was a former chemical checker. The old rerolling machine certainly misses you, Joe.

The gang enjoyed your interesting letter, John Januska and the best of luck to you always. We hope we'll see you soon.

Harold Ronan, A.A.F., found the department changed when he came to visit us, but I'm sure he found our hospitality the same. Stop in more often Harold, and tell us more about your experiences as a mechanic on a Bomber.

ATTENTION PVT. KEN MUG- GLES: We would all appreciate a letter from you. How about writing and telling us about yourself?

Maintenance

By Umbriago

Four of our carpenters: Bus Sherman, Stuby Caron, Dan Stone and Adrian Poirot recently went fishing at Lake Champlain. As usual fish stories were the aftermath of this trip. Stuby tells of one they had to cut in four pieces before getting it into the refrigerator. Bus Sherman described a fish that gave the boys quite a tussle, and finally got away.

Although Bus was on a fishing trip, he spent most of his time sitting in the boat dangling his bare feet in the water. (One way to keep cool, Bus).

Another yarn told by the boys (not a fish story) was about the frog hunt they had early one morning. Stuby swung on one and hit it so hard, it was never seen again.

Plans are being made to take another trip, just to find said frog.

As this goes to press, most vacations are over. How about that Clam Bake, Art Giroux?

We understand that Guiseppi Regaioli has at last put his snow shovel away.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert E. Horsfall celebrated their 21st wedding anniversary July 26. Best wishes for many more from the gang.

Engineering Specs

By Hazel Goodale

We extend a welcome to Harold Rarick. Harold has been transferred to the Drafting Department from Tubular Assembly. We hope you like your new work, Harold.

This being the month of July (does anyone recognize it?) vacations are the order of the day... Gene McKay enjoyed a few days in New York. Mary Jane Bombardier spent her vacation at Hampton Beach and Bill Kirby went camping at Lake Champlain for several days. Were the electric fans up there in good working order Billy?... Mr. Fairchild is back at his desk after a few days spent at his summer camp.

MISS AMERICA



"Ness" Roberts of the Plating Department poses with his daughter, Roberta, at the Independence Day program sponsored by the F.O.E. Roberta charmingly impersonated "Miss America" as picture shows.

Formation and Centrifuge

By J. Shea

"Ed" Ducharme has returned from a vacation in Newport, Vt., and Canada.

"Art" Hewitt can raise other items than gladioli as the many people in Sprague's will testify who bought strawberries from him.

We are sorry to see "Pete" Tash leave, but he is opening a diner on State Street. All the boys can recommend Pete's cooking after the outing at the "Russian's" ranch.

We received an interesting letter from John "Russian" Zwiercan, A-S who is currently serving with the U. S. Navy Training School at Sampson, N. Y. He enjoys the Navy life very much and would like to hear from his former co-workers.

A Challenge from Formation Employees to Other Departments

The Formation Employees boast of an unusual record for service in the U. S. Army. We have veterans from around the Spanish-American War to the present World War II.

Harry Lanoue was in the Army from just after the Spanish-American War until 1914. "Al" Zepka, "Mike" Costal and "Popeye" Rennell were in during World War I. Arthur "Popeye" Rennell served until 1924. "Pat" Patenaude served in the Army during the 1920's. Armand "Brooksie" Rousseau was in during the 1930's. "Joe" Giroux, Gerry Fitzgerald, "Red" Carleton, Al Brown, George Filiault and "Joe" Pevoski are veterans of the present conflict.

We wonder if any other department has a record of continuous service that matches this one?

Check Inspection

By Linda Brown

VACATIONERS: Esther Estes, "Pete" Begiebing, Charlotte Stevens and Anna Roy are back at work after enjoying their annual vacations.

Two recent visitors to our department, were S-Sgt. Harry Short, son of "Mom" Short, and his friend Hayden Putty of Kentucky, an honorably discharged veteran, who was formerly Harry's 1st Sgt. The girls really went for that southern accent in a big way, or was it the gentleman himself?

Sorry to hear Rita Pedrin's mother is ill. We hope she has a speedy recovery.

Birthday parties were held for Doris Domenick and Norma Lerta. Both were presented a cake and gifts. Many happy returns to you, girls.

Production Scheduling

By A. E. F.

Another two weeks has swiftly passed and it's Log time again. We will bring you up to date first on vacations. Florence Gross and Florence Southgate are among those present again after spending a very enjoyable week. Did you go horse-back riding at the G-Bar-S Ranch, as you planned, Flo Southgate? Florence Gross prefers riding a limousine—she claims it's much more comfortable... Effie Bishop has settled down to another year's work after her vacationing at the Boston Beaches. Nice tan, Ef... Genevieve Spila enjoyed a week at Hampton Beach... Mr. Teeple has returned from a much needed rest.

We are sorry to report that our friends, Mrs. Ethel Carpenter and Lois Paradise, are both at the Plunkett Memorial Hospital after undergoing operations. We are happy, however, to report they are progressing rapidly. Let's see you both back before too long.

A warm welcome is extended to Miss Mary Meade, a school teacher from Williamstown, who is substituting during the summer months.

Fran Dobrowolski has come down to earth after honeymooning a month with her sailor husband. It's good to have you back, Fran.

Al Swartz's current favorite songs are: "A Little on the Lonely Side" and "The Missouri Waltz." Her husband is now stationed way down in Missouri, with the Medical Corps of the Army which could be the reason.

Block Test

By Barbara King

Vacationers: Elizabeth Kenney spent her two weeks at a beach in Conn.... Theresa Tassone visited her daughter in Buffalo, N. Y.... Doris Williams vacationed in Lewiston, Me.... Josephine DePaoli went to N. Y. to see the sights... Ruth Blanquart traveled to White Hall, N. Y. for hers.

BIRTHDAYS: Greetings to Adele Solari and Irene Carsno who both celebrated their birthdays on the same day, July 25th.

Frances Solari, who celebrated her birthday on July 14th had a very special one, for her husband, Armand, who is serving in the Navy was home on leave. Her very attractive bracelet and earrings have, indeed, caught the glances of many.

A Farewell Party

Harry Carpenter was honored by a party held at the Clarkswood Sportsmen Club, July 17th. He will soon leave for the Army and is sure to be missed by the gang. Master of Ceremonies, Orville Carter, of the Production Scheduling Department, presented Harry with a purse and gift. Speeches were made in Harry's behalf wishing him the best of luck. Harry responded fittingly, thanking everyone. Guests at the party were from the following departments: Block Test, Bath Tub Assembly, Check Inspection, Section Test, Formation, Block Annex, Navy Inspection and the Machine Shop.

Networks

By Lucy De Fazio

VACATIONERS: Lea Walden spent her vacation at Plum Island where she got a very dark but becoming tan. As a matter of fact, it's so dark people don't seem to recognize her at a first glance... Adrienne Galipeau went to Canada on her vacation.

Sorry Yvonne Lamoureux had to leave us. Her willingness to help and her ready smile will be missed by us.

A common expression used by Tom "Pop" Dufraine: "Don't talk so loud I can't hear you," offers much amusement to the department.

Dry Rolling

By Isabelle Paquette

Welcome to Domenic Grillone.

VACATIONERS: Janet Caldwell spent her two weeks' vacation at Utica, New York, visiting her sister... Joe Degrenier recently had a week's vacation at New York City. If anyone is interested in betting on horses, confide in Joe and he may give you a few tips... Teresa Vitro has returned from her trip to Atlantic City.

We wish a speedy recovery to Alice Millette who is confined to the Adams hospital.

"W. E." Department

By Emma Alongi

VACATIONERS: Exilda Callahan with husband, John, and daughter, Lorraine, spent an enjoyable week in New York City... Stanley Ziaja recently spent his vacation in Vermont, fishing. He also traveled to New York to the horse races.

Welcome back, Rose Pecor.

If you have noticed Isabelle Jones yawning lately it's because her boyfriend has a 30-day furlough.

Our sympathy is extended to Beatrice Faustini in the loss of her father.

Can Shop

By Lena Zappula

VACATIONERS: Shirley Degere swears she'll never take another sun-bath. The reason being the many sleepless nights she spent during her vacation... Albert Beauchemin, on vacation, sends his greetings to the gang. He especially asked about Lena. Come back as good-natured as you left us, Al... Also vacationing are: Pinky Sherman, Clint Sweeney, Adelbert Bass, Joe Deldebbio and Helen Skrowski.

Ernest Mason, a recently discharged veteran of the ETO, is coming back to work with us.

Bob Pilot, formerly of Dry Formation is now working with us.

TRAIN LATE GIRLS? ?



Still able to smile pretty, even though the darn train is long over due. Girls from the Engineering Specs department enroute home from New York by way of Springfield, Mass., (Short cut).

BROWN STREET BRIEFS

K.V.A. Cover Assembly

By "Dolly" Poirot

Laura Beverly's happy laughter will be missed by everyone during her leave of absence. We'll be looking forward to seeing you back again in the Fall, Laura.

Blanche Cyr spent her vacation with her husband, Ernest, at their camp in Heartwellville, Vt.

Advice to Mary Roy: You'd better stop making faces at Romeo Levielle, or someday he will catch up with you.

The girls in the department surprised Mary Carleton on July the 12th, when they presented her with a lovely cake in honor of her birthday. Refreshments were served and Mary received some very lovely gifts.

It's nice to know John Hillard after meeting so many wolves.

Thrill of a lifetime—Jimmy Valotta's first ride on a motorcycle!

If you're wondering why Betty DeMarco is going around with her "head in the clouds" lately, it's because her brother, Louis DeMarco, Baker 2-c came home unexpectedly, July 13th, on a thirty-day leave after thirty-two months in the South Pacific with the U. S. Navy. He is also the brother of Rita of Sample Lab. and Tom of Resistors.

Resistors

By Kay Corsi and Pat Shafer

The cigarette problem has finally been solved as far as Mary Grande is concerned. She learned that corn silk will be in season soon.

After several anti-hayfever injections from a specialist in Springfield, Stella Beauchamp came back still sniffing. We all miss Vickey Mendel who left us for the summer and certainly will welcome his return in the fall.

If the rat were aware of the commotion it caused our Department, I'm sure it would never return again.

Congratulations to Delma Flemming on your diamond ring. We hear the wedding will take place in August.

Jean Dunsmore spent one Sunday afternoon holding her finger in her boyfriend's gasoline tank that was damaged by a stone. Some experience you had Jean.

VACATIONS:

Harry Haddad—Boston, Mass.
Shirley Hurlbert—Beaches
Roma Rongray—Windsor Lake
"Steve" Prejsnar—Atlantic City
"Bella" Belanger—New York
Mary Banis—Atlantic City
Gladys Mikuszewski—Atlantic City
Cassie Chaput—Home with brother who returned from overseas.

What seems to be wrong with you, Doretta Brookman? You seem to be having a little trouble talking.

A good time was had in New York recently by four of our girls. They seemed to think the fishing was exceptionally good at the "Aquarium." How about that, girls?

Reunion

A reunion party was held recently in honor of Ella Mae Landry who returned from Florida. Ella Mae is a former co-worker and was one of the five who have remained together through this war while their husbands were scattered all over the world.

Mica

By Eleanor Rhodes

Ned Kenyon and Lyle Mutart have moved into their new apartment in the basement. (Complaint no hot and cold water.)

If anyone has an extra set of teeth, please give them to "Spot" Timothy. He lost his!

Too bad Walter Winchell doesn't know Ann Falco....

What's the attraction at Steven-

town, N. Y. that takes Ginny Brown there every week end?

To Leo Lemoine: He is gone, but not forgotten. We all miss you. Are there any openings down there?

Why is Yvonne St. Pierre so attached to her meter?

VACATIONS:

Emma St. Pierre and Betty Gorman at Windsor Lake

Humphrey Krum at Lake Bom-maseen

"Spot" Timothy at Cleveland

Helen Estes at Still Water, N. Y.

"Jake" LaFlamme in Canada

Ralph Gibeau in Boston

Rosalie Potvin at Cheshire Harbor

Wire Coating

1st Shift -- By Betty Jangrow

Bill Battersby, you told us that Mrs. Battersby has been visiting in Canada.

Did you say that you are spending your vacation in England or New England?

Julia Shea tells us that the week she was out, the weather was perfect to visit New York.

We are glad to have our boss, Laurence Haskins, back with us after a week's vacation. What we want to know is: Did you spend it haying or Hey-Heying?

Now, Larry Weld, would you let your pals in on a secret? Just what kind of bait did you use on that fishing trip on July the 8th?

From all reports, Fred Miller had an enjoyable week.

Greetings to Bill Dunn. We are looking forward to the day that you return to the Wire Coating gang!

Carl Hurley is spending a whole week acquainting himself with his new son.

Mary Kinsey reports that in a recent letter she received from a friend, who is a Lieut. in the army in Netherlands East Indies, he acknowledged receiving a package of tobacco sent with the compliments of the Sprague employees.

Maintenance

By "Dot" Boutwell

We, of Maintenance, are all very glad to hear that Charlie Wilson is finally out of the hospital and able to be around again, although still not able to come back to work. Your reporter will be very thankful when he does as it will take quite a load off her shoulders.

Charlie Dean enjoyed the week of July 1st, at Camp Dean, Williamstown, Mass. It seems that Charlie and Johnny Norcross are building a boat. Hope that when they get it finished they won't have to tear down one side of the building to get it out. We, of Maintenance, are planning quite a celebration when they launch it in the Hoosac River.

Marion Russell, clerk in Charlie Dean's office, spent the week of June 24th in Danbury, Conn. All the boys in Maintenance missed her cheerful smile and were all glad to see her back.

Your reporter has a new name for Harold Bohl, from now on, as far as I am concerned, he will be known as, (Old 3-8th himself.) If anyone wants to know why just ask Harold—he will be only too glad to explain.

Clayton Hynes of Warehouse No. 1 and Ray Shields of Brown Street Maintenance are starting their vacation together the week of July 22nd. They are going up to Lake Ontario. Clay is taking Ray along just in case he has any flat tires. We understand that Ray is very good with flat tires.

We have a new recruit in the Maintenance Electrical Dept. in the person of "Red" Vadnais. Have noticed lately that Harold Bohl's hair is getting a little thin on top, wonder if, by any chance, "Red" has anything to do with it.

The "Frank Sinatra" of Factory Engineering (Armand Trotter) has returned from his vacation. Doris Barnes and yours truly of Warehouse No. 1 had a whole week in which to rest our ears.

P. A. A. Department

By Elsie Leja

Lucille Nephew, of Stove Soldering, recently announced her engagement to Fred DeCoigne of Adams. The wedding is to take place September 15th.

Marie Maxymillian recently celebrated her birthday. Her co-workers presented her with a lovely gift and a birthday cake made by Mary Walsh. Jane Marlowe spent her vacation on the Cape.

A delicious chicken supper was enjoyed by members of the P.A.A. Dept. at Petey Dink's. Movies on "Wild Animal Life" were shown by Joe Garceau. Dancing was enjoyed.

Frank Stawarz certainly had a successful fishing trip at Laurel Lake. He caught a Black Bass which weighed five and one half pounds and was twenty-two inches long!

Gwendolyn Primmer and husband recently spent the week end in Providence with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Metcalfe. Mrs. Metcalfe is the former Annabelle Primmer who formerly worked in Sprague's.

Wire Coating

Second Shift -- By Helen Burdick

Agnes Renton spent her annual vacation with her husband and two children, visiting in Vermont.

Isabel Farley is enjoying her vacation on a cruise to Quebec and other places of interest. Her trip to Canada was made by air.

Corena Tatro has returned from her vacation all nicely tanned and also sunburned.

Edna Miner is on a leave of absence. Her husband who has been stationed abroad for over two years with the 8th Air Force is home on furlough.

Marie Pratt spent a few days in Boston, recently.

Edith Dillon spent the week end in New York City recently, where she saw Harry James, Mal. Hallett and Cab Callaway in person. Some people have all the luck, Edith, and you're one of them.

Sample News

By the Eyes and Ears of the Sample Lab.

Are we going to move, Frank? These are we going to move, Frank? When are the questions that are slowly driving Mr. Grealis crazy. Especially when they are asked in those squeaky female voices. But the only answer they receive is, "The story is....."

No, folks, that's not Superman whizzing by, that's Sally Sherr who has at last conquered the bicycle!

Stop pretending, Alma Finardi, that medicine doesn't taste half as bad as you say, at least our Sample tasters don't think so.

You can tell by the smiles on the faces of Thelma Carney and Lesa Bormolini whom they are talking about in their morning chats, their husbands in the service of course!

"Good Morning, La, La, La," which means Mary Babcock is back with us again.

Will someone please answer Loretta Bezzie's question: "Father who?"

Don't kid us Dora Grant. Do you really play Bingo every Wednesday night?

Warning: To those who accidentally leave the D.C. voltage meter turned on, beware of Rita Mulqueen.

Rita DeMarco is happy again, for at last her vacation plans are complete.

Patience, patience is the advice given Mary Markland as she tries to teach Helen Burzimati the popular song hit of 1870, "She Died of Love."

The prize for the corniest joke of the week, an automatic window-opener and closer and a month's supply of cornflakes, goes to Peter Abuisi.

Question: "If you're a member of the Union, Peter, where is your union pin?"

Answer: "On my union suit of course."

Industrial Oil Rolling

By Blanche Duquette

Welcome to our new rollers, Dot Bryson and Margaret O'Dell. Glad to have you with us.

Olga Campedelli has been doing a lot of swooning lately. Could it be those recordings of Vaughan Monroe? Pauline Martin also does her share of swooning. Oh, that man with the voice.

Liz Slattery is still the life of the Rolling Department. Always has a cheerful smile and a sweet pea in her hair, that's our Liz.

Lil Walker recently held a shower for her daughter, Patricia, who will be married August 6th to Harold Alderman, formerly of the Sample Lab. Pat received many gifts. Our best wishes to both of you.

Best wishes also to Angie Trimarchi, who was married July 28th and to our new bride, Nita Cross, the former Miss Kleiner. That certainly was a beautiful surprise gift Liz Slattery gave you, Nita.

VACATIONERS:

Doris Lanoue—Boston, Mass.
Pauline Martin—Hartford, Conn.
Lucille King—Windsor Lake
Irene Sweeney—Lake Champlain
Maud Roy—Windsor Lake

Paper Networks

By Ann Heath and William Sheldon

June Cole, Evelyn Morton, Alta Oakes, Alice Murchie, Lena Deso and yours truly had an afternoon tea with Eleanor DeSanty, Wednesday at four. We found Eleanor right in the pink and she will soon be back with us.

July seems to be the vacation time in the Networks.

Viola Rand and her family spent their vacation at Lake Sunapee, N. H., Martha Lewis went to Lake Dunsmore, Vt., Ken Russell went fishing. He says the only way to relax, "Just sit and fish!" Flo. Toynce was at New London, Conn. for her week. Ann and Myles Heath and Tony and Catherine Roedel spent their vacations at Sunburn Beach. Myles works at the stock-room at Marshall St. and Kit is in the Resistor Dept., at Brown St.

Best wishes to Mrs. Emery. We all hope you will be back with us soon.

Mica Molding and Impregnation

By Jessie Vallieres
KEEPING IN TOUCH
GOES BOTH WAYS

Sprague men and women of the Armed Forces are constantly writing how the Log keeps them informed as to the "whereabouts" of their friends. They also read of the "Goings On" in their former departments. They laugh or maybe shed a tear over these news items. However, have you ever stopped to realize what the Log does for every employee at Sprague's?

Some of us have friends who were formerly employed in our departments. Before entering the service they were transferred to other departments from which they left. Since that time we had lost all track of them. When we pick up the Log and see a familiar face or name, it makes us just as happy as the Soldier, Sailor or Marine. Thanks to all who are responsible for the information.

VACATION TROUBLES

The John Masellis went up to Rutland, Vt. for a week's vacation. Johnnie fished in Chittney Lake, but not a fish did he hook. His wife was taken sick and they had to return home. No fish — Bad vacation!

"Sarge" Edwin Busby had a week's vacation and what a time! His father was seriously injured and his mother-in-law was taken ill. He certainly hopes he'll never have another vacation like that one. But then who can blame him?

HE'S FIGHTING FOR YOU!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING FOR HIM? BUY WAR BONDS!



The engagement of Dorothy T. Gingras, of the Selkar department, to William Rumbolt has been announced. The wedding will take place August 11th.

The engagement of Delma Fleming to Frank Mroz has been announced. Delma is employed in the Resistor department. The date set for the wedding is August 4th.

"I DO" NOTES



CROSS - KLEINER: Miss Marguerite Kleiner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Emil Kleiner of Adams, and Pvt. Harrison R. Cross, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Cross, of Adams were married July 9, 1945. Marguerite is employed in the Industrial Oil department at Brown Street.



A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Boisjolie at the Plunkett Hospital, Adams, Mass., July 5, 1945. Ralph is employed in the Factory Engineering department.

A daughter, Rose Marie, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester Zagorski, at the Plunkett Hospital, Adams, Mass., July 10, 1945. Mother, Eleanor, was formerly employed in the Bathtub Assembly.

A son was born to Cpl. and Mrs. Ernest Desormeaux, at the North Adams Hospital, July 13, 1945. Cpl. Desormeaux was formerly employed in the Chemical Control department.

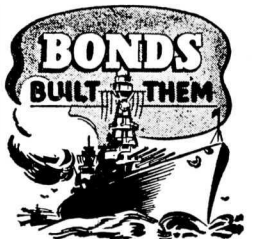
A baby girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bedard at the North Adams Hospital, July 15, 1945. Mother is the former Eileen O'Brien of the Sales Office.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. James Harrington, July 13, 1945. Father is employed in the Etching department, and mother, Catherine, formerly worked in the P.A.A. department.

Twins, a boy and a girl, were born to Mr. and Mrs. William H. Scrivens, July 13, 1945, at the North Adams Hospital. Father is employed in the Industrial Oil department.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Rohane, July 14th. Mother is Gladys, formerly of Section Test.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sherman, July 20th at the North Adams Hospital. Father, Howard, is employed in the Engineering Specs Department.



MARSHALL MUSIC

Selkar Satires

By R. Morrissey and C. Wager

Welcome mat is spread out for all the new girls.

Alma Beaupre and Anne Farnum had quite a vacation in Canada. They took a cruise up the Saginaw River. They even hit the front page of the newspaper! Their pocketbooks were heavy so they decided to play the horses, and bet the whole sum of twenty-five cents! All in all they had a good time.

Grace Bushika is trying to persuade Clara to let her take turns going to the ovens.

Imagine our surprise one Friday when a group of girls went out for supper and Rose Wright pulled her sandwich out of her pocketbook!

Anne Farnum Pin-Up boy—Gene Autry.

POME

There's a gal in Selkar who lifts our morale,
She's cheerful and thoughtful and oh what a pal!
But her appetite really is astounding
Could it be from the baskets she keeps pounding?
Or perhaps it's that Wheat Germ, Ora Lesage? God Bless Her!

DeeDee O'Neil says if she sees Oscar the mouse around she is going home.

Hurry back, Laura Jowett, we are saving your stool at the Hub.

Ruth Morrissey spent most of her vacation on her yacht in Cheshire Harbor.

Helen Vincelette is spending her vacation with her son, home on furlough from England.

Mildred Pike is welcomed into the wax cage or should we say Art Gallery?

Martha Carberry says she can't get meat, and is satisfied with listening to "One Meat Ball."

Vicci LaMore is now taking the bus home. She had to stop the taxi rides as they were beginning to be regular tours. Blame it on the "Share your Ride" plan, Vicci!

Rose Daoust, maybe someday the rejects will all come straightened.

New broom-pusher, Charles Scott. Just call him Scotty.

Nora Dawe spent a good deal of her vacation looking for bananas in Pittsfield.

Anne St. Cyr is on a leave of absence. We really miss you and hope you come back and brighten the line again with your cheerful chatter.

If Lillian Kenyon didn't monopolize the supper table, maybe Earledean McLearn wouldn't have to hold her coffee in her lap.

VACATIONS:

Evelyn Gooch—New York

Frances Landry—Manchester, N. H.

Shipping Night Shift

M-Sgt. Harold F. Jones, Master Crew Chief, 8th Air Force and son of "Abe" Jones arrived home last week from England, where he has been stationed for the past year and a half.

Leon Beckwith and "Abe" are both popping buttons off their vests about their sons. Leon's son is a Seaman 1-c and is a Radioman on an LCI.

Tom Prendergast was quite a boy 25 years ago (and of course he still is). He played baseball and was a regular guy. He recently made the "25 Years Ago Today" column in the local paper.

Well, Mr. Davis finally got his hay in. Reason being that it stopped raining for a couple of days.

Selkar

By Ceil Risch

Chief Machinist's Mate Arthur Cellana was home on leave recently. He is the son of Gina Cellana of Selkar Test, and is stationed on the U.S.S. West Point.

We hope Lila Beaudette will soon be well and back to work.

A grand picnic was held at the State Park on the Mohawk Trail by four of our most prominent ladies of Selkar. They are Miss Beatrice Driscoll, Mrs. Ann Card, Mrs. Millie Gotzens and Mrs. Nellie McCutcheon.

Laura Derosier spent her vacation at Cheshire. Rose Coyne enjoyed hers at Lake Horton in Vermont.

A farewell party was held for Marie Lemoine by the waxers. She received several beautiful gifts.

We miss Dora Fillion, Margaret Battersby, and Linda Cozzaglio who are on leave of absences.

A son was born to Mrs. Jean Lamothe of Burlington. Daughter of Rosilda Boucher and sister of Janet.

What would Selkar be like if Sally Candiloro did not take her trip to Japan everyday; and if she'd leave Clem Gagne wear his own shirt once in a while.

Welcome back Anna LeMay. Hope you are feeling better.

Junior Commando



Michael O. Morrissey 2½ years old, son of Ruth of Selkar Finishing and LOG reporter.

Shipping Dept.

Day Shift By A. Demayo and Frances Moreau

Chena Bushika sure makes a sweet picture with her little pail. All you need now is a brush, Chena.

Since Ernie Belleau has been on his milk diet he hasn't been hit by those swinging doors. I've got to hand it to you, Ernie. Keep it up.

Isabelle Brundige has been giving compliments to her friends lately especially about singing. Here's one for you, Izzie, you are sweet.

Poor Dorothy Slade is working alone on a 12 foot table.

Ora Boyer enjoyed a week's vacation and is back to work.

Isabelle Brundige visited her husband, stationed in New London, Conn.

Maintenance

By Frank Daniels

Employees please take note of the Warning Sign over the new gas tank.

William Falcon is acting foreman while Paul Schwartz is on his vacation. Good luck to you, Bill.

Howard Whetmore became quite the hero when he retrieved the woman's lost glasses. Gallant boy!

Ask "Bus" Carpenter about his hair-raising experience, while touring the country side recently in the early A.M. Over went the load of hay, down went the horse—dead. Alas! No points—no meat—big joke! (Don't tell Felix the cat.)

MORE FROM THE SOLDIERS

Assigned to Carrier

Word has been received by the parents of Robert Levesque that he has been assigned to duty on a carrier. Until assigned to the carrier he has most recently been stationed at the U. S. Naval Training and Distribution center, Shoemaker, Cal.

Meet In Pacific

Thomas Dean SM1-c and Kenneth L. Peat SM2-c enjoyed a friendly reunion somewhere in the Pacific theater, according to a letter received by the parents of Seaman Peat. Seaman Dean was a former employee of the Shipping Room at Brown Street.

Saw Mog-Mog

June 28, 1945

Dear Miss Owen:

I want to thank you and the people at the plants for the gift box I received. I can assure you that the candy and dried fruits didn't last very long, also the cookies. It was a good thing there was shaving cream, tooth paste and brush, for, a few minutes after I opened the package everything eatable was gone, and I only had the toilet articles to show that I had received it.

A while back we had the occasion of going on land for a change; it was a period of rest. Some of us had the opportunity of seeing a south sea island for the first time. It was the island of Mog-Mog. We enjoyed ourselves swimming, picking up sea shells and pieces of coral for souvenirs. One fellow said, "I'll set this on the mantel and then I'll be able to tell my grandchildren about the time I was on the Island of Mog-Mog." "Sure by that time they'll be coming over here on a Sunday picnic if they own a plane", said another. "Aw, why don't you guys pipe down. If I don't get to go home soon I won't have any grandchildren to say anything to." That was the end of the conversation for we had to leave to go back to our ship, and I have to end this letter.

With best of luck to all.

Romeo D. Gagne

To Study Air Mechanics

Pvt. Donald Louison has been enrolled in an airplane mechanics training course at Keesler Field, Biloxi, Miss. He will receive a 76 day varied course of the instructions. Pvt. Louison was a former employee of the Shipping department at Brown Street.

Thanks From All

July 2, 1945

Employees of Sprague:

I sincerely wish to thank you for the wonderful gift I have received. It was enjoyed by other fellows as well as myself and they have asked me to give you their thanks also.

Sincerely yours,

Olympio J. DePaoli
AMM 3-c

Mother Phones Thanks

Pfc. Harvey Rubin, somewhere in the Pacific, has received a package from the employees of the Sprague Electric. His thanks to the employees was conveyed by his mother in a recent telephone call. Pvt. Rubin was a former employee of the Mica department.

Package Received

Western Pacific
July 9, 1945

Dear Friends:

Just a few lines to thank all of you people at Sprague's for the package I received. I also want to thank the ones responsible for the mailing of the Log to me which I receive from time to time.

I am feeling fine and hope to be back in North Adams again soon.

Regards to the boys in the Machine Shop.

As ever,
William A. Brown

Thanks For LOG

Plauen, Germany
June 15, 1945

Sprague Log:

I have been receiving the Company Log since being inducted into the army in February, 1941. I am taking the opportunity at this time, to express my sincere thanks for the continuous receipt of the Log. It has given me many happy moments and great comfort, also keeping me informed of the whereabouts of my many friends I made at Sprague Electric. In all this time, it has not failed to reach me in the many countries I have been in, since leaving the States, namely, the British West Indies, French No. Africa, England, France, Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany and the linkup with the Russians on the Czech Border.

As you probably know by now, the 87th Div. which I am in, is due back in the U.S.A. in the near future, whence we will head for the So. Pacific, after being given furloughs.

In closing I wish to be remembered to my many friends and to once again thank you for your consideration and thoughtfulness in sending me the Log.

Sincerely,

Pfc. John Ariazi

Completes Boot Training

Francis E. Bennett, SM2-c, has been home on a seven day leave after completing his boot training at Sampson, N. Y. Francis was an employee of the Impregnating department.

Nothing Damaged

Italy
June 28, 1945

Dear Miss Owen:

Just a few lines to let you know I received the package from the Sprague Employees. I appreciate it very much, and want to thank them all. The choice of things sent was excellent and every last bit enjoyed. Nothing was damaged or spoiled.

Give my regards to all the gang. Good Luck till later.

As ever,

Joseph Rivard

Welcome Home Dinner

Pfc. Howard Delisle was the guest of honor at a welcome home dinner held July 9th. Pvt. Delisle is recovering from wounds received on Luzon and has returned to the Camp Edwards General hospital. He served 19 months in the Pacific theater, holds the Purple Heart and two battle stars, New Guinea and the Philippines, also the Good Conduct medal. Pvt. Delisle was formerly employed in the Dry Test Department.

In Attack On Japan

Earl F. Williams, M2-c, formerly of the Machine Shop was a member of a Task Force hitting Kamaishi. The 3rd Fleet warships attacked the Honshu steel city of Kamaishi, 275 miles north of Tokyo.

Extended Furlough

Pfc. William L. LaDue recently arrived at his home for an extended furlough. Pvt. LaDue, who entered the army in April, 1944, was wounded almost a year from the date he entered the service while fighting with the 7th Army in Germany. He was employed in the Plating and Etching Department before entering the service.

On Furlough

Coxswain Walter Westcott is spending a 30 day furlough with his wife and daughter, at their home in Clarksburg. He returned home July 10th, after 16 months duty in Brazil. Walter was formerly employed in the Boxing department.

G. I. to Sprague Wolverine: "Let's get married or something."

Wolverine: "We'll get married or nothing."

Know Your Reporters

Priscilla Windover



Payroll Department

Priscilla has been in the office with the company for the past three years.

She delights in good poetry and music. You must be sure to hear her rich alto voice, if you haven't already. Not only is she talented in the fine arts but also is very clever in giving excellent monologues. A little teasing may persuade her to entertain you with one.

Priscilla is very active socially, at present she is the president of the "Young Business Girls Club" at the Baptist church.



Gertrude Gentile, Tubular Assem.

For the past thirteen years Gert has been a member of the Sprague family. She has always been employed in the Tubular Assembly and the past year has been the supervisor in the Department.

Gert has no hobby but is a sport enthusiast. Her favorite is football (Quite probable, seeing her son was a Drury star.) Other sports she takes interest in are bowling and dancing.

At present Gert's son is stationed at Sampson, N. Y., where he has completed his boot training.

Hazel Goodale



Engineering Specs

Hazel has been an employee of the Sprague Electric Company for the past two years. Previous to her present position with the Engineering Specs Department she was employed in the Sample Lab and Check Inspection.

She enjoys arts and crafts and does quite a bit of both in her spare time.

As for sports, she gets much pleasure in putting in her garden and is very fond of hiking and bicycling.

Hazel is also an active member of the Williamstown Grange.